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Human Services Advisory Committee Minutes of January 22, 2014 Meeting

Present: Sara Anderson (Advocates for Children); Ethel Mantzaris (YSB, chair); Dexter Eddy (Housing Authority); Fred Goetz (Advisory Comm. on the Needs of Persons with Disabilities); Victoria Nimirowski (WAIM); Joan Terry (Comm. on Aging)

Absent: Ron Baker (Member at Large); Lorraine Kenowski (Member at

Large); Bev Korba (Senior Center Assn.)

Staff: Pat Schneider, Director of Human Services

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m. The November minutes were approved as written.

Pat Schneider updated the commission members on the work done by the Human Services Department. She reported that 112 families were given food baskets at Thanksgiving, 54 families were assisted at Christmas through the Adopt-a-Family program, and 45 families received checks from the Mansfield Holiday Fund.

The Human Services budget is being prepared for 2014-2015. Pat hopes to do cooperative programs with the Community Center and the Library. A press release was issued to remind non-profit groups that it is time for them to submit budget requests. Fourteen have been received.

Staffing changes are proposed at the senior center. The Council Personnel Committee is being asked to approve the hiring of a program assistant and an outreach senior service worker. In addition, the receptionist will become full-time and the transportation coordinator's hours are increased to 19.

There was no further business.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Joan Terry, secretary Next Meeting: February 26 at 3:30 p.m.